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<b>Examiner-Initiated Interview Summary</b>	<b>Application No.</b>	<b>Applicant(s)</b>	
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	<b>Examiner</b>	<b>Art Unit</b>	
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**All Participants:**

(1) Jimmy Lin.

(2) Ariana Guss.

**Status of Application:** After non-final rejection

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**Date of Interview:** 28 June 2007

**Time:** 12:00 PM

**Type of Interview:**

- ☒ Telephonic  
☐ Video Conference  
☐ Personal (Copy given to: ☐ Applicant ☐ Applicant's representative)

**Exhibit Shown or Demonstrated:** ☐ Yes ☐ No

If Yes, provide a brief description:

**Part I.**

**Rejection(s) discussed:**

*rejection of record*

**Claims discussed:**

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**Prior art documents discussed:**

**Part II.**

**SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW DESCRIBING THE GENERAL NATURE OF WHAT WAS DISCUSSED:**

*See Continuation Sheet*

**Part III.**

- ☐ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview directly resulted in the allowance of the application. The examiner will provide a written summary of the substance of the interview in the Notice of Allowability.  
☐ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview did not result in resolution of all issues. A brief summary by the examiner appears in Part II above.

  
(Examiner/SPE Signature)

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(Applicant/Applicant's Representative Signature – if appropriate)

Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was discussed: The Applicant's representative proposed an amendment of "discharging liquid droplets in an atmosphere having a low partial pressure of the solvent vapor, the low partial pressure of the solvent being low enough to [allow] a drying rate of later arranged liquid droplets to be equal to or greater than a drying rate of earlier arranged droplets". The Examiner believes this amendment will overcome the rejection of record. The prior art of record only teaches removing the solvent vapor but does not teach or suggest that the partial pressure of the solvent vapor is low enough to allow a drying rate of later arranged liquid droplets to be equal to or greater than a drying rate of earlier arranged droplets..